

"Saving the Union" will have to occupy the Democracy under a new phase. The labor must be directed, not towards the trifling effort to preserve the confederation of thirty-two States, but to the momentous task of saving the Washington Union from the effects of its own wicked class.

[Correspondence of the N. Y. Tribune.]
 CALIFORNIA NEWS.
 SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.
 When the last steamer for the East left shore, the Democratic Leocompton and anti-union conventions and the Republican conven-

trading Democratic organ" is the target for many arrows, some of them larded with terrible power. The Charleston Courier, for instance, says "the Washington Union is doing good service to the cause of honorable and independent journalism, by making the opposite course disgusting—just as the Boston Herald is doing."

nenots of old Sparta were employed to promote ha its of temperance." The Mobile Register, referring to its proposition to tax officials for party purposes, says:

We have no hesitation in saying that the Union's ex-pression on that subject have met our unqualified disapproval. We acknowledge that we were both scandalized

the position of the *Democratic Journal*, especially one so long established as this, which is considered by many as being the organ of the party, should have allowed itself to be betrayed into the exposure and high-sounding but entirely untrue statements as revolting to the moral sense of every honest and high-souled American citizen. As a Democratic journal we protest against the conduct of the *Journal* in the manner above stated. We think that the Union in its views referred to represents the authentic and political opinion of the Democratic party, and we are sure it has the sanction of the Administration in the premises. We have no quarrel with the Senate and House of Representatives during the last session of Congress. The Republican Central Committee, at a session on August 28, San Francisco, nominated Frederick P. Tracy, a J. C. McKim as candidates for Congress. It is impossible to foretell the result of the fall election though it is supposed the anti-Lecompton party will carry the day. In this connection and bearing this in mind, we have no objection to the

We do not presume the organ can be saved before it is converted, but it might be taught more discretion, though it is absolutely impervious to the reception of decent principles.

¶ We suppose that all our readers know that the opossum is furnished with a pouch in which she carries her young, but it is not probably so well known that the mother's teat is surrounded by a muscle which gives her the power of ejecting the milk into the suckling's mouth. The young opossum is

born less perfectly developed, and therefore more dependent upon its mother's care, than is the young of any other animal save that of the kangaroo. In the earlier part of its infancy it has not even the common power of drawing milk from the udder. It is for this reason that the mother is furnished

with the means of ejecting her milk to supply the wants of her feeble young.

☞ The salamander is really able in many instances to escape when thrown into the fire. They are enabled, says Bow, who studied their habits well to emit from their skins a milky acid which from the new mines continues to be disengaged and we hear from there only of misery and death.

☞ Late news reported that meat to be selling at the Fraser river mines at fifty cents a pound, a scarce as that.

☞ To aggravate this state of things the Indians are very treacherous, and on the upper waters of the Fraser, particularly, an attack for some time was made by the "Bosses men." There has been but little gold found since.

to, to extricate their sisters a milky fluid, which either extinguishes the fire, or, by protecting them from the heat, permits their escape. This milky fluid is exceedingly acrid, producing a painful, stinging sensation when it touches the hand. It has an exceedingly nauseous smell, and is poisonous to the frog and other small animals.

¶ If our neighbor of the Democrat has other occupation for his printers, which prevents them from setting up Col. Furney's speech, we will, with great pleasure, lend him our standing type. The readers of the Democrat ought not to be debarred the pleasure which the receipt of that speech would afford them. It is a very interesting and valuable paper, and this unfavorable news, and the return of large numbers of miners to California, business in different portions of our State is improving. San Francisco has fallen considerably in San Francisco, has risen to about the same figure as they were before the excitement, and the great throng that are congratulating the reading public upon the improving state of things, and what they call the "divine no" of the Fraser River valley.

Notwithstanding all this, however, no doubt is entertained of the richness of the northern river. When the river falls only a few feet, quantities of gold are taken from the bars, and should there be permanent stage of low water a large yield would be beyond much doubt, be the result, and a new element will spring up. The California people consequently look forward to the "big" year.

gaily sail down to Tampa or to the coast in the Gulf of Mexico in the next two months.

The overland mail stage, the first one and the New Orleans weekly commuter, arrived at Placeville, in this State, on the 9th inst., having made through trip in thirty days' time, and from St. Lake City in twelve days. The four passages speak in the highest terms of the trip, and say it can be made, with proper chance, in twenty days.

the government," our government is in a very exhausted and crippled condition.

On the 3d inst. a mob hung two men on suspicion in Bad Axe county, Wisconsin. The name of the county should be Bad Acts.

Mr. Grow of Pennsylvania is nominated for reelection to Congress. That's bad news for Kaitt.

We certainly have reason to rejoice when Southern Democratic papers, of high tone and extended influence, make movements to check the ultrism which their party has for many years so sed-

ously propagated. When conservatism takes the place of partizan blindness, and liberal views are addressed to the people instead of those inflamed appeals which have heretofore muddled them, though we may not even then be prepared to adopt all the tenets of a reformed Democracy,

we shall at least have opponents whose differences of opinion may be viewed with respect. The Paudling Clarion, the largest Democratic paper in the State of Mississippi, has the following article, the sentiments of which are daily extending throughout the South, convincing by their truth and consistency, everybody's attention:

Fanaticism North and South.—There cannot be a doubt that if the South is ever compelled to resort to revolution for the preservation of her political rights, the event will be in the end due to the silly and intemperate of many who assume to be the peculiar exponents of her opinions and most zealous champions of her cause.

Abolitionism receives no such strengthening alliance as the Abolitionists from Dr. Smith, Rev. John Aldrich

started out in all directions determined to hunt them up, and shoot them in their tracks. They have been other cases of shooting and stabbing addition, but none worthy of particular mention.

Of outrageous assaults, the most remarkable committed on the night of July 27, near Vinalia, the Talke Lake country by Wm. Gouverneur Meigs, formerly of this city. Meigs is a native son

On the night in question, he, J. D. Stapleton, a others took a man named William C. Deputt formerly of Delaware, aged 57 years, and hanging him on a tree three times, demanding that he should sign a deed conveying a quantity of valuable land in San Bernardino county to Stapleton. It is said that Morris struck the old man a number of times, lacerating his back horribly. In the inter-

ance of the slave power, and to arouse such sentiment among the Northern people as will naturally enough arise at finding the whole people of their action denounced as traitors to the Union, and as enemies of the rights in which they live characterized as immoral and cruel. Ill blood has thus been engendered between the two sections of the confederacy, through the agency of men who are not correct exponents of the interests or feelings of either of the two sections, and who are not disinterested witnesses, either to the oppressions meted out to the South, or to the oppressions meted out to the North and South, by the hanging. While writing in torture the man signed the deed, and a witness was introduced to prove that he did it voluntarily. Morris then signed the acknowledgment as notary. These facts which appear to be corroborated, are exciting great deal of indignation, and application has been made to have Morris removed from his office. It is well known here from the active part which

If the slave question were allowed to mingle in elections—if demagogues could ever have taken it up as a hobby upon which to ride into notice—if it came between every question of the day, it would be a patriotic statement of both sections, it might have been settled without creating more than a ripple upon the sea of popular opinion and feeling, and without the least danger of any serious consequences.

incident of popular institutions. Nothing is too sacred for his unallotted touch—no thought or consequence restrains the men who resort to it as a means of bringing themselves into notice and securing a distinction which would be impossible by any other means. It is not intellect or intellectual merit. What cares an ambitious aspirant for (Congressional) honors whether he delude or correct the opinions of the populace on questions of a social nature, so that he secure his own seat in Congress, and entitle himself to the honors of a statesman?

What difference does it make to an editor who expects to popularize his paper by affecting a peculiar devotion to Southern rights and interests, whether there be any truth in his position or not, and so long as he is able to reach the North, and convince everybody that he is the only editor in his locality who is entitled to be considered the champion of the South? We tell our readers, and weigh our words, that we are not at all disposed to condemn the present circumstances, as dangerous to the peace of the country and the perpetuity of the Union as a Northern

PATRIOTIC SENTIMENTS.—The *Carlinville* (Ill.) Free Democrat, an anti-Democratic paper, copies one of our recent articles and accompanies it with the following remarks, which are in perfect consonance with the tone of very many other influential

papers both in the non-slaveholding and the slaveholding States:

Signs of the Times.—We notice throughout the country indications of thorough and effective action of all the elements of opposition to modern Democracy in all its phases and factions. In New York and Pennsylvania meetings have been held by the United States Democracy, and in California, a few days ago, a similar gathering was held in the city of San Francisco, for the honor of California, it may be mentioned that Dona Mercedes Ortega de Castro, a native Californian lady of Monterey, has by one husband and three children, all living. An item to this effect is given in the *Monterey Herald* of the 20th inst. The difficulties between the United States Democracy and the Mercedes Mining Company still continue. The latter refuse to yield possession of their vein, and

There is no reason why there should not be united action and hearty co-operation among all those opposed to the wasteful, profligate misrule of the

The Indians about Humboldt Bay are exceedingly troublesome. A man named Orrin Stevens was killed by them on the 16th ult., and another named John Vandolf on the 20th.

☞ The Washington Union does not like the side support Douglas receives from Southern men who are willing to accept him, as the choice of two evils, against the Administration. It calls loudly on the South not to cut down its friends in the Northern

States, and draws a picture of the unity, harmony, and brotherly love of its party, in the following bold and graphic style:

There is not an anti-Lecompton Democrat from the North who was in the last Congress that has any sympathy with the present administration. In some localities they are openly opposing the regular nominee of the Democrats; in others they are indignantly refusing to take any consideration for disavowing the success of the people's enemies at Lecompton.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.

THE COTTON CROP.—A correspondent of the Mobile Register, of the 8th inst., writes that paper as

I have been at considerable pains to collect accurate statistics of the present cotton crop, and you may rely implicitly upon what I state as facts. Throughout the entire line region of Alabama and Mississippi, the crop has been cut off at least one-half by rust and the boll worm. These ravages have been made within forty days. The amount of new

otton received up to date has been increased by the effects of rust, which has stripped the leaves from the stalk and exposed the bolls to the action of the sun directly, thus maturing them sooner than otherwise would have occurred.

Be assured there is no exaggeration in these statements.

The Alexandria (Randen) American, of the 14th

The boll worms and the caterpillar are still at work in our cotton fields, and they begin to look denuded, in the extreme. Not more than a half crop can possibly be made. We learn, also, that the cane has been materially injured by the late drought.

The Savannah Republican of Saturday says:

We refer our readers to the crop correspondence published this morning. How different from the encouraging prospect of one month ago! These letters are from sections wisely apt, showing that the injury is wide-spread and general. It seems as if we were never to have another good crop. We had hoped that Georgia would be favored this year with all kinds of agricultural products.

an abundance of such participations per had a better foundation. The misfortunes are coming too thick and fast to indulge in any such hopes, at least as regards the great staple.

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☞ A Paris letter says:

Professor Morse has been decorated by the Emperor Napoleon with the Legion of Honor. The

diplomatic convention which had in consideration the recompense due by the governments of Europe to the Professor for the use of his invention has not. It is generally supposed that the sum of 400,000 francs was agreed on. The governments tax themselves according to the ratio of machines they have in use, and thus the share of France will be about one-third of the whole sum allowed. — *Ref. Morn.*

He accepted the nomination, denouncing his opposition to sectional strife and abolitionism, in favor of admitting Kansas with any population, and a tariff that will put every furnace in the State in full blast.



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